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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: Richard J. Kerr
         Associate Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT: Core Intelligence Capability Study

1. <u>Action</u>: Your signature on the accompanying memorandum to Senator Goldwater, responding to the SSCI request for a plan for developing a core analysis capability.

2. <u>Background</u>: The SSCI, having seen only the DIA colored map presentation of how ineffective are our intelligence capabilities, has questioned why the resource increases of recent years have left the Community with an inadequate capability in every country of the world that matters. We have been directed to develop a satisfactory plan for dealing with this problem, before the FY 1985 request of ☐additional positions for analysis and analysis support will be approved.

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3. <u>Staff Position</u>: The DIA presentation is unrealistic, intended to support requests for ever more resources. But since this is the only wrapup of intelligence capabilities that the SSCI sees, it is not surprising that they are wondering what we have done with all the resources they have given us. To set the record straight, so to speak, a study is proposed for defining minimum analytic resource needs, identifying gaps between current resource levels and these minimum needs, and showing how the gaps will be filled in the coming years. A report will be written by 1 March 1985. I believe this plan, as shown in the accompanying package will satisfy the SSCI concern, and will also be of benefit to us in addressing resource allocations in the coming years. A key feature of the final report will be a realistic display of current capabilities. The previous proposed DCI response to Senator Goldwater was not considered sufficiently detailed to serve as the plan for which the SSCI asked.

4. <u>Recommendation</u>: Your approval of the core intelligence capability study plan.

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I talked with Keith Hall & Chip Andreae about this response. It has been coordinated with Danny Childs and discussed with Staff and DIA

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